

Publications

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Houston

SUBJECT: Excerpt From the German Book "CIA"

STAT The following is a very rough translation of the excerpt on CIA's legal problems in the [ ] case.

STAT Because of the multitude of secret and investigatory agencies, it is no wonder that confusion results from a conflict of authority and personal rivalries. Here is an example: As a result of Senator McCarthy's witch hunt in 1952, the well-known professor [ ] was accused of treasonous activity. On the basis of all testimony before McCarthy's committee, he was indicted for perjury by the Attorney General. The humanitarian and political background of this affair is of no concern here. The affair was purposeless and the charges against [ ] have long since been forgotten.

STAT In the fall of 1952, while the professor was under a heavy shadow his passport was withdrawn on the basis that two CIA agents - [ ] had testified that [ ] purposed to avoid punishment by fleeing from the country. They had information from a travel bureau in Seattle that [ ] planned to fly to the Soviet Union. With this evidence, however, the CIA people were beyond their competence. It is in the law that CIA does not have internal police or security functions within the United States.

STAT Then into the case came the FBI. They found that the charges against [ ] were pure fabrication. Then the Chief of the travel bureau, a man by the name of [ ] was accused of misleading a Government office. He was acquitted because [ ] were expressly prevented from testifying against him by the Chief of CIA, General Bedell Smith. The two CIA men were then found in contempt of the Seattle court and were sentenced to 15 days. They did not serve their sentence because President Truman pardoned them. It is very unusual that a pardon is given for such a small matter. But the CIA itself is unusual. It can be seen that if the sentences had to be carried out by [ ] other agents might be affected and CIA's ability to perform its functions would be impaired.

cc: AQ/oa

TRANSMITTAL SLIP		DATE 16 July 58
TO: Mr. Houston		
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REMARKS:  Please let me have any corrections.  I had the <u>CIA</u> excerpt typed because it may be some time before I'm through with the book.  Bagnall's deputy, [ ] is working out an unclassified version of the FDD article.  (I kept finding your dwarf ticks for <del>days as they swelled up big enough to find)</del> FR [ ]  ROOM 2013 [ ] EXTENSION [ ]		

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## STUDIES IN INTELLIGENCE

Minutes of Board Meeting 6-8 June 1958

## 1. Board Membership

The Board concurred in Mr. Baird's proposal that one or two seats on the Board be reassigned each year, and agreed that Mr. Kent and Mr. Kirkpatrick should at least be the last of the present members to be replaced. The Board noted that its membership should continue collectively to have the competence to represent all areas of the agency.

## 2. Editorial Policy

a. It was agreed that the criteria for books to be reviewed were in general the same as those for articles in the Studies. With respect to certain categories of subject-matter in which discrimination has in the past been difficult, it was decided 1) that fiction should not be reviewed except as it includes material of value on intelligence techniques, tradecraft, or other professional subjects; 2) that books on resistance movements should be reviewed if they throw light on personalities or contain exercises in tradecraft of historical or current interest to the intelligence community; 3) that counterintelligence, including the domestic counterespionage functions of U. S. security organs, is a subject germane to Studies' purposes; 4) that propaganda and political action, although in many concrete manifestations contiguous with intelligence, lie generally outside Studies' area of competence.

b. It was determined to seek authors for a series of bibliographical articles reviewing the literature on the resistance movements of individual countries.

c.  proposal for a series of articles on the organization and function of CIA's major (Office- or Division- level) components, articles suitable for later rebinding as a textbook in OTR's required orientation course, was approved with the provision that the series be extended to components of the intelligence community outside CIA.

## 3. Summer Issue

Manuscripts were approved (15 articles, 1 communication), remanded for revision (4 articles) and rejected (1 book review) per listing attached.

## 4. Meeting on Fall Issue

Members' schedules required that the next meeting be held somewhat late, on the weekend of 5 September 1958.

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